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APPLICANT: Yasuhiko Shimizu

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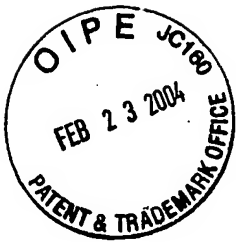
Applicants kindly ask for consideration of the following remarks in response to the Office Action dated 9/22/03.

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- 1) Amendment and Response to the September 22, 2003 Office Action;
- 2) Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time together with a check in the amount of \$420.00 representing the *small-entity* prescribed fee(s);
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